WIND EFFECTS ON NON-WILDLAND FIRE INCIDENTS

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(See Policy 7851.1 - Fire Weather Spot Forecast)

The effect of wind can impact the severity and containment efforts on not only wildland fire incidents, but other types of emergencies as well. Influences of wind during incidents may pose a risk to firefighter and public safety; endanger public and personal property and infrastructure; and may have negative environmental impacts on public and private lands. These incidents may include hazardous materials incidents, infrastructure incidents (i.e. powerlines), and other fire type incidents (i.e. structure fire). The need for weather forecasts may prove to be essential in the safe mitigation of these types of incidents.

Incident Commanders should consider the early use of forecast products available that are normally used during wildland fires such as the Fire Weather Spot Forecast. Fire Weather Spot Forecasts are to be requested in the same format as for use in wildland fires.

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